ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE SELECTMEN
AND OTHER
TOWN OFFICERS

ACWORTH, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING
JANUARY 31, 1944

AND THE VITAL STATISTICS
FOR THE YEAR 1943

YOUR TOWN REPORT THIS YEAR IS A WAR CASUALTY

Because of the scarcity of paper and the labor shortage, we could find no printer this year who would undertake to print up the full report for us. We, therefore, have been compelled to issue this condensed report which we believe gives you the most essential facts.

We hope another year conditions will be such that a full detailed report as in former years can be issued.

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Selectmen

MARCH CLARK SOLON L. NEAL

MYRLE E. REED

Town Clerk	LEON F. NEWTON
Town Treasurer	HARRY B. GOWEN

Supervisors

ALBERT J. DAVIS JOSEPH NICHOLS

THOMAS B. SOUTHWICK

Moderator	GLENN N. BASCOM

Road Agents

LEONARD E. SMITH HAROLD GRANT

Overseer of the Poor	MYRLE E. REED
Tax Collector	LEON F. NEWTON
Constable	THOMAS E. POTTER
Auditor	HELEN M. SOUTHWICK

Trustees of Trust Funds

HARRY B. GOWEN ERVING C. DAVIS

DOROTHY N. FAUGHT

Report of the Selectmen

Inventory of the Town of Acworth, April 1, 1943

Lands and Buildings		$315,260.00
Electric Plants		12,800.00
Horses 68		6,945.00
Oxen 4		700.00
Cows 332		29,295.00
Other Neat Stock 62		4,300.00
Sheep 37		235.00
Fowls 3095		2,855.00
Portable Mills 2		550.00
Wood, Lumber, etc.		8,875.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks 6		650.00
Stock in Trade		1,267.00
Aqueducts		4,150.00
Polls 237 @ $2.00	$474.00	
National Bank Stock Tax	11.00	
Total valuation		$387,882.00
Exclusive of Soldiers' Exemption		$381,687.00
Amount of taxes to be committed to collector, including poll taxes and National Bank stock taxes		$12,698.98
Average rate percent of taxation for all purposes		$3.20
Amount exempted to soldiers		$6,195.00

Statement of Appropriations and Taxes Assessed

Town Charges	$ 1,400.00
Highways and Bridges	700.00
Winter Maintenance	3,000.00
Support of Town Poor	300.00
Old Age Assistance	300.00
Class V Roads	271.50
Lights	330.00

Debt and Interest		50.00
Old Home Day		50.00
Silsby Free Public Library		90.00
Memorial Day		30.00
Snow Fence		300.00
Town House Toilets		150.00
County Tax		1,437.86
School Tax		5,662.00
		$14,071.36
Less estimated revenue and credits		
Interest and dividend tax	$ 68.94	
Savings Bank tax	100.00	
Motor Vehicle permit fees	350.00	
Reserved from surplus to lower tax rate	1,000.00	
Plus overlay		180.00
Net amount to be raised by taxation		$12,732.42
Less poll taxes	$ 474.00	
National Bank stock taxes	11.00	
		485.00
Amount to be raised by property taxes on which town rate is figured		$12,247.42
Taxes to be committed to collector		
Property taxes		$12,247.42
Poll taxes		474.00
National Bank stock taxes		11.00
		$12,732.42

Schedule of Town Property

Town House, land and buildings	$ 3,000.00
Library, land and building	5,000.00
Furniture, books, etc.	2,000.00

Parks and playgrounds	500.00
Schools, land and buildings	8,600.00
Equipment	800.00
Young lot	45.00
Rumrill lot	50.00
Gagne farm	200.00
Reba Creig lot	45.00
Northfield Savings Bank (Kemp land)	45.00
Carey land	15.00
Jennison lot	120.00
Patridge farm	90.00
John Allen lot	75.00

Town Clerk's Report

12 female dogs licensed @ $ 5.00	$ 60.00		
50 male, spayed female @ $ 2.00	100.00		
2 kennel licenses, 5 dogs each @ $12.00	24.00		
		$	184.00
Less fees due Clerk			
72 dogs @ 20¢	$ 14.40		
Paid Treasurer	169.60		
		$	184.00
Auto permits 1942, 185-186	$ 1.00		
Auto permits 1943, 1-150 and 125,551-125,583	420.89		
Paid Treasurer		$	421.89

Respectfully submitted,

LEON F. NEWTON, Town Clerk

I hereby certify that I have examined the books of Leon F. Newton, Town Clerk, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

HELEN M. SOUTHWICK, Auditor

TREASURER'S REPORT

Summary of Receipts

From State of New Hampshire	
Savings Bank tax	$ 131.23
Interest and dividend	63.35
Class V maintenance	3,165.00
Myrle E. Reed, overpayment on bounties	2.40
Leon F. Newton, Tax Collector	
Dog licenses	169.60
Abatements	20.97
Tax sales redeemed	990.38
Property taxes, 1943	10,381.31
Poll taxes, 1943	392.00
Previous years taxes	3,075.48
Previous years poll taxes	124.00
Leon F. Newton, Town Clerk	
Auto permits, 1943-44	431.90
Interest and costs	422.84
John Spaulding, relief credit	140.00
State of New Hampshire, loss of taxes on public forest land	27.76
Forest fires	8.75
Town property sold by tax deed	80.00
Cash on hand February 1, 1943	4,918.83
	$24,545.80

Summary of Payments

Town Officers' salaries	$ 571.50
Town Officers' expenses	458.96
Town House insurance	20.00
Police duty	37.50
Fires	24.75
Bounties	78.00
Vital statistics	5.50
Summer maintenance	3,116.71
Winter maintenance	4,164.03
Abatements	20.97
Street lights	327.36
Silsby Free Public Library	90.00
Old age assistance	323.75
Town poor	132.00
Memorial Day	80.00
Parks and playgrounds	9.00
Cemeteries	75.00
Taxes bought by the town	526.32
Victory tax	4.90
TRA roads	272.57
Highways and bridges	537.04
Rebate on auto permit	2.22
New equipment	450.50
County tax	1,437.86
Schools	4,600.00
	$17,366.44
Cash on hand February 1, 1944	7,179.36
	$24,545.80

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY B. GOWEN, Town Treasurer

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

Assets of the Town, January 31, 1944	
Cash in Treasury	$ 7,179.36
Due on 1943 taxes	1,954.93
Due on 1942 taxes	21.18
Unredeemed previous years	401.96
Uncollected previous years	352.80
	$ 9,910.23
Liabilities of the Town, January 31, 1944	
Schools, balance of dog money	$ 312.25
Schools, balance of appropriation	3,024.00
Net surplus, January 31, 1944	6,573.98
	$ 9,910.23
January 31, 1944, loss of surplus	$ 991.04

Cemetery Trust Funds for Perpetual Care

Assets

Deposited in New Hampshire Savings Bank, January 31, 1944		$ 3,716.36

Liabilities

Total trust funds received	$ 3,507.08	
Unexpended interest	209.28	
		$ 3,716.36

The Silsby Free Public Library Trust Funds

Assets

Deposited in New Hampshire Savings Bank, January 31, 1944		$ 1,789.06

Liabilities

Total trust funds received	$ 1,658.22	
Unexpended interest	130.84	
		$ 1,789.06

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN M. SOUTHWICK, Auditor

Report of Trust Funds of the Town of Acworth, N. H., on January 31, 1944.

Date of Creation	TRUST FUNDS, Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Balance Income on Hand Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance Income on Hand End of Year
CEMETERY FUNDS								
Apr. 22, 1913	Edward C. Ball	N. H. Sav. Bank	$ 100.00	2%	$ .01	$ 2.00	$ 2.01	$
Apr. 22,	Julia A. Buswell	"	200.00	2%	56.03	5.12	6.40	54.75
Apr. 26, 1916	Mary L. Bowers	"	300.00	2%	7.19	6.14	10.50	2.83
Mar. 1, 1919	George W. Neal	"	106.36	2%	15.00	2.30	4.10	13.20
July 8, 1922	T. W. Place	"	50.00	2%		1.00	1.00	
Aug. 5, 1924	William Warner	"	100.00	2%	.01	2.00	2.01	
Mar. 19, 1925	Henry A. Clark	"	200.00	2%	99.52	5.98	7.50	98.00
Jan. 3,	Horace G. Perham	"	50.00	2%		1.00	1.00	
July 13.	Laura J. McKeen	"	100.00	2%	.01	2.00	2.01	
Dec. 29.	Abram M. Mitchell	"	190.00	2%	38.12	4.56	9.25	33.43
May 3, 1929	Charles K. Wood	"	100.00	2%	.01	2.00	2.01	
Mar. 14, 1930	Charles Elliott	"	50.00	2%		1.00	1.00	
Apr. 1,	Hiram N. Hayward	"	100.00	2%	.01	2.00	2.01	
Jan. 12, 1931	Cynthia E. J. Finley	"	100.00	2%	.01	2.00	2.01	
Sept. 1,	Ada L. Wallace	"	200.00	2%	1.03	4.02	4.50	.55
Nov. 19,	White-Ryder	"	95.00	2%	.01	1.90	1.91	
Sept. 22, 1932	Oariett Eaton	"	25.00	2%		.50	.50	
Feb. 27, 1933	Samuel A. Nye	"	100.00	2%	.01	2.00	2.01	
Apr. 17, 1934	Ashton E. Hemphill	"	100.00	2%	.01	2.00	2.01	
July 12, 1937	George W. Buss	"	100.00	2%	.01	2.00	2.01	

Oct. 23,	Frank McLaughlin	"	100.00	2%	.01	2.00	2.01	
Dec. 15,	Walter Slader	"	300.00	2%	.02	6.00	5.00	1.02
Mar. 15, 1938	George W. Call	"	100.00	2%	.01	2.00	2.01	
Jan. 1, 1939	Alger E. Hemphill	"	100.00	2%	.01	2.00	2.01	
Mar. 4, 1940	Charles M. Thornton	"	100.00	2%	.01	2.00	2.01	
Mar. 12, 1941	Gertrude C. Reed	"	200.00	2%	.35	4.00	3.35	1.00
Dec. 9,	Weston Kemp	"	100.00	2%	.01	2.00	2.01	
Dec. 9,	Weston Kemp-Orlen Kemp		50.00	2%		1.00	1.00	
July 23, 1942	James Jeffery	"	100.00	2%	.83	2.00	2.83	
July 23,	H. W. Allen	"	100.00	2%	.83	2.00		2.83
Feb. 18, 1943	Ella M. Prentiss	"	100.00	2%		1.67		1.67
			$3,716.36		$ 219.07	$ 78.19	$ 87.98	$ 209.28

LIBRARY FUNDS

Apr. 5, 1915	Rebecca W. Madison	"	150.00	2%	6.06	3.12		9.18
Aug. 25, 1924	W. L. Woodbury	"	1,000.00	2%	46.20	20.71	25.00	41.91
Dec. 29, 1925	Abram M. Mitchell	"	475.00	2%	51.51	10.52		62.03
Mar. 15, 1937	Walter Slader	"	164.06	2%	14.16	3.56		17.72
			$1,789.06		$ 117.93	$ 37.91	$ 25.00	$ 130.84

ERVING C. DAVIS,
HARRY B. GOWEN,
DOROTHY N. FAUGHT, Trustees.

Silsby Free Public Library

REPORT OF TREASURER FOR THE YEAR 1943-1944

Town Appropriation Account

Receipts

Balance on hand February 1, 1943	$	.23
From Town Treasurer, July 24, 1943		90.00
Total Receipts, 1943-44	$	90.23
Total Disbursements, 1943-44		54.00
Balance on hand, February 1, 1944	$	36.23

Disbursements

1943		
Jennie E. Smith, Librarian Feb. 1 to July 1	$	15.75
Janitor Feb. 1 to July 1		10.00
1944		
Jennie E. Smith, Librarian and Janitor July 1, 1943 to Feb. 1, 1944		23.25
Jan. 20, American Library Ass'n. dues 1944		5.00
Total Disbursements 1943-44	$	54.00
Balance on hand, February 1, 1944		36.23
	$	90.23

Trust Fund Account

Receipts

Balance on hand, February 1, 1943	$	19.77
From Trustee of Trust Fund, H. B. Gowen		25.00
Total Receipts, 1943-44	$	44.77
Disbursements, 1943-44		42.45
Balance on hand, February 1. 1944	$	2.32

Disbursements

1943			
Aug.	4,	Jennie E. Smith for books	$ 10.91
May	1,	American Library Ass'n., dues 1943-44	5.00
Aug.	22,	Mayfair Agency, books	14.65
Sept.	21,	Jennie E. Smith for books	8.73
Nov.	9,	Jennie E. Smith for books	3.16
Total disbursements, 1943-44			$ 42.45
Balance on hand, February 1, 1944			2.32
			$ 44.77

Respectfully submitted,

G. S. AMSDEN, Treasurer

I hereby certify that I have examined the account of George S. Amsden, Treasurer of the Silsby Free Public Library and find it correct.

HELEN M. SOUTHWICK, Auditor

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1944-1945

Detailed Statement of Expenditures

Support of Schools

Teachers' salaries, provides for 3 teachers		$ 3,600.00
Text books		80.00
Scholars' supplies		100.00
Flags and appurtenances		5.00
Other expenses of instruction		15.00
Janitor service		380.00
Fuel		475.00
Water, light, janitors' supplies		95.00
Minor repairs and expenses		150.00
Health supervision—Medical inspection		130.00
Transportation of pupils		
High School and Elementary	$3,500.00	
Board for pupils remote from bus lines	700.00	4,200.00
Payment of Elementary tuitions		1,110.00
Other special activities		10.00
		$10,350.00

Other Statutory Requirements

Salaries of District Officers	$ 145.00
Truant officer and school census	5.00
Payment of tuition in high school	2,640.00
Superintendent's excess salary	135.00
Per capita tax	220.00
Other obligations (expense of administration)	55.00
	$ 3,200.00
Total amount required to meet school board's budget	$13,550.00

Estimated Income of District

Balance June 30, 1944 Deficit of about $100.00		
State aid (Dec. 1944 allotment)	$ 4,308.21	
Dog tax (estimate)	130.00	
Other estimated income	180.00	
Deduct total estimated income (Not raised by taxation)		$ 4,618.21
Assessment required to balance School Board's budget		$ 8,931.79
Special appropriation proposed (Articles in warrant)		
Deficiency appropriation to balance 1943-44 budget	$ 100.00	
Contingency fund for 1944-45	500.00	
New equipment	100.00	
Dental clinic	50.00	
		$ 750.00
Total assessment required to cover budget and appropriations		$ 9,681.79

TREASURER'S REPORT

1942-1943

Receipts	
Cash on hand June 30, 1942	$ 568.69
Dog licenses	132.66
Town of Langdon for transportation	180.00
Refund from American Book Co.	6.50
Money returned by Mrs. Mary Hemphill and teachers unused for the year 1942-43 for janitor service	30.50
Town treasurer, part town appropriation	5,550.00
State treasurer, state aid	4,708.57
Town treasurer, balance of previous appropriation	1,011.12
Total receipts for year	$12,188.04
Disbursements	
Orders paid by treasurer	11,603.19
Cash on hand June 30, 1943	$ 584.85

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, bank statements, and other financial records of the Treasurer of the School District of Acworth of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1943, and find them correct in all respects.

MAUDE H. MOODY, Auditor

July 10, 1943

School Board's Report of Expenditures

for School Year, July 1, 1942 to June 30, 1943

Summary Statement of Expenditures

Salaries of District Officers	$ 115.00
Superintendent's Excess Salary	109.44
Truant Officer and Taking Census	5.00
Expenses of Administration	49.99
Teachers' Salaries	2,775.00
Text Books	13.00
Scholars' Supplies	24.34
Flags and Appurtanances	00.00
Janitor Service	377.70
Fuel	214.75
Water, Light, Janitor Supplies	92.49
Minor Repairs and Expenses	144.16
Medical Inspection—School Nurse	128.53
Transportation of Pupils	3,449.00
High School Tuition	1,372.88
Elementary Tuition	1,101.00
Other Special Activities	10.90
Insurance	136.07
State Per Capita Tax	222.00
Alteration of old Buildings	764.46
New Equipment	497.48
Total Expenditures for the Year	$11,603.19

Vital Statistics Registered in the Town of Acworth, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1943.

BIRTHS

Date 1943	Place of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Sex	Living or Stillborn	No. Child	Color	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents
Feb. 9	Walpole, N. H.	Robert Laurence	M	L	3	All White	Robert F. Champney	Laura M. Thurber	So. Acworth, N. H.
May 17	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Patricia Ann	F	L	2		Winslow H. Neal	Helen Yuhas	Acworth, N. H.
Nov. 15	Bellows Falls, Vt.	James Walter	M	L	3		Clarence N. Ells	Jennie A. Pitkin	Acworth, N. H.

MARRIAGES

Date 1943	Place of Marriage	Name of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each	Age	Color	Occupation of Each	Birthplace of Each
July 1	Acworth, N. H.	Joseph Charles Taylor	NewLondon, Conn.	22	All White	U. S. Navy	Cambridgeport, Vt
		Marian Lerneda Pitkin	Acworth, N. H.	18		Waitress	Cavendish, Vt.
Sept. 30	Charlestown, N. H.	Alvah L. Knapp	Acworth, N. H.	28		U. S. Army	Cabot, Vt.
		Beverly C. Bushey	Acworth, N. H.	16		At home	Bridgeport, Conn.
Nov. 17	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Carl Preston Brown	So. Acworth, N. H.	46		Lumbering	Bedford, N. H.
		Cora Estella Clogston	Claremont, N. H.	38		Housekeeper	Sudbury, Vt.

DEATHS

Date 1943	Place of Birth	Name and Surname of Deceased	Yrs.	Mos.	Days	Place of Birth	Sex	Color	Condition	Occupation
Mar. 28	Acworth, N. H.	Mason, Herbert A.	57	3	26	Acworth, N. H.	M	All White	W	Woodsman
Sept. 23	Acworth, N. H.	Smith, Daniel N.	89	7	25	Woodbury, Vt.	M		W	Retired
Sept. 25	Pittsfield, Mass.	Grant, Robert Lyle	31	8	6	Acworth, N. H.	M		M	Lineman
Dec. 28	Newport, N. H.	Santti, Edla	59	5	26	Finland	F		M	Weaver

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

LEON F. NEWTON, Town Clerk.